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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action of November 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims:

- 1. (Allowed) A protein having the sequence of SEQUENCE I.D. No. 1 wherein the amino acid residues at one or more of positions 5, 11, 17, 19, 22, 30 and 41 are lysine, and the remainder of the residues at those positions wild-type.
- 2. (Twice Amended) A protein according to claim 1, wherein one or more of the amino acid residues at positions 5, 11, 17, 19, 22 and 41 are lysine.
- 3. (Twice Amended) A protein according to claim 2, wherein all of the amino acid residues at positions 5, 11,17, 19, 22 and 41 are lysine.